

**periculant** (pĕr'ik'ul-ant), *adj.* [L. *periculans*, pres. part.] Being in danger. *Rare.*  
**pericentum** (pĕr'ik'ul-um), *n.*, pl. -la (-lā). [L.] *Rom. & Civil Law.* Danger; peril; risk.  
**pericyclole** (pĕr'ik'ul-ē), *n.* [Gr. *perikytlos* spherical, round about. See *perikytlos*.] A thin layer of parenchymatous or sclerenchymatous cells immediately surrounding the stoma in most plants. The layer consists of one to several rows, in trees often discontinuous, forming groups of cells. It separates the primary phloem from the endodermis or (if the endodermis is lacking) from the cortex. See **BAST**; **STEM**, *Illustr.*

**pericycloid** (pĕr'ik'ul-oid), *n.* *Math.* The epicycloidal curve traced by a point on the circumference of a circle which rolls on a smaller fixed circle, the contact being internal.

**pericyclone** (pĕr'ik'ul-ōn), *n.* [peri + *cyclone*.] *Meteorol.* The boundary line or ring of slightly rising pressure that usually precedes and partly surrounds a cyclonic storm area. — **pericyclonic** (pĕr'ik'ul-ōn-ik), *adj.*

**pericyon** (pĕr'ik'ul-ion), *n.* [NL., fr. *peri* + *cyon*.] *Anat.* The vascular and connective tissues surrounding a cyst or bladder. — **pericyonic** (pĕr'ik'ul-ion-ik), *adj.*

**pericyon** (pĕr'ik'ul-ion), *n.* [NL., fr. *peri* + *cyon*.] *Anat.* Situated around a cell; pericellular.

**periderm** (pĕr'ik'ul-dĕrm), *n.* [peri + *derm*.] 1. *Bot.* The cortical tissue, which forms the outer bark, derived from growth of the phellogen. Its inner portion is phellogen, its outer phellum, or cork.  
 2. *Zool.* The pericard of a hydroid.

**peridermal** (pĕr'ik'ul-dĕrm-āl), *adj.*  
**Peridermium** (pĕr'ik'ul-dĕrm-i-um), *n.* [NL., fr. *peri* + *dermo* skin.] *Bot.* A form genus of rust fungi (Uredinales imperfecti) having only the pycnia and aecial stages, characterized by the irregularly split or torped-shaped pycnia. Many fungi formerly included in this genus have, since the discovery of their telial stages, been placed in various other genera, as *Cyrtosporium*, *Coleosporium*, etc.

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**peritonitis** (pĕr'it'ō-nĭ-tis), *n.* [NL. See **PERI-** ENTERITIS.] *Med.* Inflammation of the peritoneal coat of the intestines.

**peritonian** (pĕr'it'ō-nĭ-an), *n.* [NL.] *Zool.* A peritonian, a part derived from the blastocoele.

**peritric** (pĕr'it'rik), *n.* [NL.] *Med.* Inflammation of the peritoneal coat of the stomach.

**peritric** (pĕr'it'rik), *n.* [NL.] *Embryol.* A gastrula developed from a periblastula. — **peritric** (pĕr'it'rik), *adj.* — **peritric** (pĕr'it'rik), *adj.* Of or pertaining to peritric.

**peritric** (pĕr'it'rik), *n.* [NL.] *Dynamic theory of reproduction.*

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2. Capable of inflicting harm or injury; dangerous; dreadful. Cf. *For I am serious with a knife in hand.* *Chaucer.*

**perilous** (pĕr'ik'ul-us), *adj.* — **perilousness**, *n.*

**perils of the sea.** *Insurance.* Perils or risks proximately resulting from the dangers peculiarly involved in sea navigation; sea risks.

**perils of war.** *Marine Insurance.* The war hazards specifically assumed under a marine policy.

**perilymph** (pĕr'ik'ul-ĭm-f), *n.* *Anat.* The fluid between the membranous and bony labyrinths of the ear.

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